

Today

A New Epidemic.  
Traveling By Weight.  
Thanks For Panama.  
What Can Germany Pay?

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First comes an epidemic of war. Then comes the war's epidemic, Spanish influenza, and now comes what seems the beginning of an epidemic of assassination. Clemenceau is shot, working at permanent peace, because some fool thinks he represents another war.

Eisner, the Bavarian prime minister, is murdered by a nobleman, Arco Valley. Arco Valley is shot in his turn. He killed Eisner because the latter said that Germany and Austria started the war. If that statement were a capital offense it would be necessary to execute many. Auer, Bavarian minister of the interior, rises to tell the deputies that he is sorry to hear of Dr. Eisner's killing. And Auer is shot from the gallery. The volley that wounds him kills a deputy named Osel and wounds others.

One thing is worse than the organized war of nations, with its rules and regulations, and that is individual war. The epidemic of individual assassinations that seems to threaten Europe might be worse than the war and the plague combined, making secure government impossible.

When you travel now, they weigh your baggage. When you travel, later, they will weigh you. The London Chronicle announces that passengers crossing the Atlantic by flying machine will pay six cents an ounce for one thousand miles. This ought to interest buyers for department stores, dressmakers, and others that cross regularly on business. At six cents an ounce per thousand miles, a buyer weighing one hundred pounds would fly to Paris and back for about six hundred dollars. A fat two-hundred-pound buyer would have to pay twelve hundred dollars; quite a difference.

You may see business men and women in Turkish baths, bathing for the European trip, as jockeys do for a race. Every pound off would mean six dollars saved on the round trip. You may read advertisements like this:

"Wanted, position as European buyer, by competent lady weighing only eighty-five pounds."

Mary Baker Eddy, when this writer talked with her in her country house, weighed less than that, and showed in her eye, her voice, her clear thinking and strong feeling, as much energy as a number of ordinary individuals weighing two hundred pounds apiece.

This is the prohibition news, which gets more complicated every day. England will not grant passports to American prohibitionists that want to preach their doctrine in England.

And England has just ordered 50 per cent more liquor released for public use. This follows a strike of longshoremen refusing to load whiskey to be sent out of England.

One hundred and eighty thousand workmen in New York announce their intention to strike if beer is taken away from them.

And the prohibitionists are urging Congress, when beer is taken from the workmen, to explore the cellars and confiscate and destroy alcoholic supplies stored away for the drought by the rich. That suggestion is nothing more than common sense and democracy. If prohibition is good enough for the workman without a deep cellar, it ought to be good enough for the man with plenty of money and other amusements.

The whole nation should be blessed with prohibition, if any part is to be thus blessed.

"Cold water for the workman, wine for his employer," would be a motto to breed Bolshevism.

The Panama Canal and the Suez Canal are, it seems, not to be disposed of in an international way by the League of Nations.

So far as the Panama Canal is concerned, it is to be hoped that Americans have seen to it, league or no league, that a waterway built by American money, with American land on both sides, doubling the fighting power of an American fleet, should remain in American control.

As for the Suez Canal, that is for Europe to settle. England spent her money there. The fleet she maintains, plus control of Gibraltar, and presumably control at the Dardanelles, will keep the Suez under her thumb. Barring, of course, unexpected developments in the air, it is hard to say where power will reside, when a ten-thousand-dollar flying machine and a cheap submarine might make a poor joke of a whole fleet of battleships.

Just as the bullet of the individual assassin can disturb government and upset all plans, so the possibility of distributing dynamite from the clouds may upset all leagues and treaties and compel the world to be peaceful as an alternative to universal chaos.

If you have ever been at a fashionable hotel or other resort without fixed prices, and have watched the clerk study you, wondering how big a bill you can stand, you can realize how Germany feels.

The allies announce their intention to take all that Germany,

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# GERMAN REBELS WITH ANARCHY

## PRESIDENT MAY REACH BOSTON BY NIGHTFALL

By ROBERT J. BENDER.

ABOARD U. S. S. GEORGE WASHINGTON, Feb. 23.—The George Washington probably will reach Boston by nightfall tonight, it was announced today. In that case, the liner would anchor in President Road, and President Wilson would remain aboard until tomorrow morning.

The George Washington is continuing to make good headway.

A Washington's Birthday celebration was held aboard ship, in which the President participated. There was a special program of music and speeches, and the members of the crew held several athletic contests. At noon the Presidential salute of twenty-one guns was fired in honor of Washington.

The President is keeping in close touch with Congressional developments by wireless. He is confident the appropriations bill will be passed.

## PRESIDENT DUE HERE ON TUESDAY MORNING; HUGE PILE OF WORK AWAITS HIM

President Wilson's busiest and possibly his biggest week lies ahead of him.

Arriving in Washington Tuesday morning and planning to leave again for France on Wednesday or Thursday of the following week, he will strive to dispose of a couple of months' executive business in this short period.

His greatest and most important task will be his effort to swing the nation squarely behind the League of Nations plan. To do this he will speak generally on the league at Boston, and then try to win the support of Congress by a detailed explanation to the members of the Foreign Relations Committees at a confidential White House dinner Wednesday.

To Ask for Approval.

The conference may cause him to decide to address Congress on the subject, and the Senate may be asked for a vote of approval. It is known the President desires to take back with him some indication of approval.

Then he hopes to find time to give his attention to the unemployment situation by attending a conference of governors called by the Labor Department.

Selection of a new Attorney General must be made by him before 4, as Thomas W. Gregory's resignation takes effect on that date. Many other minor appointments will demand his attention.

Will Sign Revenue Bill.

Probably his first official act will be to sign the big revenue bill, as Secretary Tumulty at the urgent request of the Treasury Department has taken the measure to Boston. All provisions, including many increased.

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has got, but no more. They do not want to discourage her so that she won't work at all. They think she can pay about three billion dollars a year. That is the calculation of an English banker.

One thing that is quite wise the Germans seem determined to do whether they can afford it or not. While England's workmen complain that they can't find housing accommodations and Americans are howling about rents, the German socialist government appropriates seventy-five million dollars, as a starter, to build small houses for returned soldiers. Nothing like a house and lot to settle the problem of discontent and make a man interested in government.

## URGES BOTTLE OF RUM FOR MUSEUM

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Feb. 23.—In order that future generations may be able to say, "We have seen it," Senator A. E. Scherr, of Kanawha County, favors placing in the archives of history a quart bottle of rye, a quart of bourbon, and a quart bottle of Scotch—the same to be guarded carefully and preserved to posterity as evidence of the things that were.

Senator Scherr's resolution to this effect was passed by the Senate and concurred in by the house of delegates.

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## COXEY PLANS TO LEAD WET ARMY HERE TO REPEAL LAW

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—"General" J. S. Coxey may duplicate his adventure of a score of years ago and march with another army on Washington. It will not be an army of unemployed, but an anti-prohibition one.

The "General" will first try peaceful, orderly means. He is going to Washington this week, verbally to bombard the Senators and Representatives in an effort to have them repeal the prohibition amendment.

URGES REFERENDUM.

"I am going to propose an initiative and referendum amendment to the Constitution on a petition to be signed by not less than 3 per cent of the voters of the United States," said the "General" at staff headquarters in the Waldorf, today.

"I advocate a government of the people, by the people, for the people. This prohibition amendment, in common with most of the laws that have been made, represents an attempt at government of the many by the few, for the few."

"General" Coxey discoursed at great length on the chaotic conditions that will result from the enforcement of the prohibition amendment.

## BOSTON LABOR MEN TO PROTEST TO PRESIDENT AGAINST THE DRY LAW

BOSTON, Feb. 23.—A protest to President Wilson against national prohibition will be made upon his arrival here from the peace conference.

A delegation of members of the Boston Central Labor Union will be allowed to meet the President and state their protest against the unemployment that will follow the enforcement of the national prohibition law.

This announcement followed a two-hour conference between Secretary Tumulty and Mayor Peters, of Boston, concerning the plans for the President's reception.

## \$1,000,000 A YEAR FOR MOVIE 'FATTY'

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 23.—Roscoe A. Arbuckle, known to the film world as "Fatty" Arbuckle, today signed a three-year contract with the Famous Players Lasky Corporation which calls for a salary of \$1,000,000 a year.

Adolph Zukor, president of the Famous Players Lasky Corporation said this is the largest contract ever signed by him with an individual artist.

## REDS TO EXECUTE 60,000 STRIKERS

LONDON, Feb. 23.—Sixty thousand strikers at Petrograd and Moscow have been massed by the Bolsheviks for execution, said a German wireless dispatch this afternoon.

The condemned men were marched through the streets of Petrograd with hands playing.

## KING PINS CROSSES ON 2 U. S. 'MEDICOS'

LONDON, Feb. 22.—Capt. Elmer Croop and Capt. Charles North, both of the American Medical Corps, were decorated with the military cross by King George, at Buckingham palace today.

## Mrs. Wilson's Pet Ewe Is a Real Patriot, Bears Twins

Mishawaka, Mrs. Wilson's prize White House sheep, who patriotically supplied wool during the war, patriotically supplied two new lambs to the White House fold on the birthday of George Washington.

Mishawaka, Mrs. Wilson's pet, who, underneath its skin, has the love of the farm which even unhering cannot kill, found the new lambs when he visited the sheep shed on the White Lot this morning. Because of his knowledge of sheep, Mr. Parkinson has been in charge of Mrs. Wilson's fold.

The mother sheep and the two lambs were immediately ushered to the White House where they were comfortably installed in the room next to the bouquet room in the Executive Offices.

All three are doing well. The two lambs were immediately christened George and Martha.

They are that kind of sheep.

## CLEMENCEAU IS DENIED CALLERS

PARIS, Feb. 23.—Some apprehension was expressed in official circles, last night regarding Premier Clemenceau's condition, despite the assurance of his physician that he is "making satisfactory progress."

The premier's coughing has become more frequent, and had increased in intensity, it was learned. Tearing of the lung tissues by the assassin's bullet resulted in a slight hemorrhage Wednesday afternoon, a few hours after he was shot. He is forbidden to talk or to receive any visitors.

Although no fever had developed in the vicinity of the wound, his temperature was slightly higher this morning, being officially announced at 98.6, an increase of two degrees.

The increased temperature was believed to have been the result of Clemenceau's exertion on Friday, when he received and conversed with nearly two-score visitors. He was fully dressed, ate heartily, and spent some time walking about his garden.

He assured Lord Derby of the British mission, that he would be able to resume his official duties surely by Tuesday.

Military authorities, it was announced, have learned that at a conference in Lyons three weeks ago anarchists decided to assassinate the heads of several governments.

## REPORT 12 DEAD IN PITTSBURGH WRECK

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 23.—Several fatalities are reported to have resulted from a collision on the Baltimore and Ohio railroad here at 10 o'clock last night.

First police reports were that twelve had been killed and more than thirty injured.

## GALE-TOSSED SHIPS ARRIVE WITH YANKS

NEW YORK, Feb. 23.—Transports which have been delayed by heavy Atlantic storms were coming safely into port yesterday.

The Orizaba, which sailed February 12, from Bordeaux, brought 2,931 men, including headquarters, supply companies, ordnance, medical detachments and batteries A, B, C, D, E, and F of the 334th Field Artillery; headquarters of the 162d Field Artillery and a number of casual companies.

## SEVEN BILLION 'SHORT TERM' NOTE ACT GOES BEFORE HOUSE

The "Victory Liberty Loan Act," authorizing the issuance of \$7,000,000,000 in short-term notes instead of the proposed twenty-year Victory bonds was reported to the House yesterday afternoon by Chairman Kitchin of the Ways and Means Committee. It will be called up for consideration immediately after the passage of the sundry civil bill, probably late Tuesday.

Chairman Kitchin believes he will be able to get the measure through the House in time for the Senate to pass it before the present Congress expires, March 4. If the bond legislation is not passed, Mr. Kitchin said, an extra session must be called before April 1, as the constitution of the Treasury is such that it must have authority to raise additional funds by that date.

Four Classes of Notes.

In addition to providing for four classes of notes, which the Secretary of the Treasury may issue in his discretion, the bill carries several other important features. Among them are:

1. Continuation of the War Finance Corporation, with a fund of \$1,000,000,000 to finance the foreign commerce of the country during the reconstruction period by making loans to American exporters.

2. Stabilization of values of previous Liberty bond issues by increasing the tax exemptions for a period of five years.

3. Authorizations of peace-time loans to foreign governments to enable the United States to dispose of its equipment sent abroad for war purposes.

4. Creation of a sinking fund for the retirement of all war bonds.

The proposed legislation fixes the tax exemptions on the short-term notes, but gives the Secretary of the Treasury power to fix the interest rates within his discretion. The bill also provides that the notes may be redeemed, at the option of the Government, upon not more than one year's and not less than four months' notice.

To Fix Maturity Dates.

The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to issue any one or more of the four classes of notes, the date of maturity to be fixed by the Secretary.

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## BOY WIDOW KILLER TRIES TO ESCAPE

Ralph Turner Bolling, eighteen years old, confessed slayer of Mrs. Elizabeth Beckwith, sixty-eight years old, at her home in Coleville, Md., on January 25, attempted to escape from the Rockville county jail yesterday.

Bolling had shattered the window in his cell with a chair and was trying to force the iron bars over the window when Sheriff Aud, of Montgomery county, interfered. He was placed in another cell under guard.

Bolling is charged with killing Mrs. Beckwith by striking her with an axe handle. According to his statement to the Rockville authorities he killed the aged woman because she put iodine in his coffee in an effort to poison him. He had made his home with the woman for several months previous to the murder.

BERNE, Feb. 23.—Government forces have occupied Wilhelmshaven without a fight, according to an official statement issued in Berlin. A communist dictatorship had been proclaimed before the troops arrived.

## LATEST PHASES OF FOE REBELLION

Soviet government established in Munich, following assassination of Premier Eisner and other Bavarian ministers.

Spartacans, extending control in Ruhr and Rhine industrial regions of Germany, in bloody clashes with government troops.

Chancellor Scheidemann, confident of crushing new revolution within two weeks, preparing to hurl whole force of government against Spartacans.

State of siege proclaimed in Budapest, where Hungarian radicals attempted to seize government.

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Long List of Dead.

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Minister of Interior Auer—dead.

Deputy Oesel—dead.

Count Arcovalley (assassin of Eisner)—dead.

Minister of Justice Tim—wounded.

Minister of War Rosshaupter—wounded, but later reported dead.

Minister of Social Affairs Unterleiner—wounded.

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Despondent over the recent death of her husband, Mrs. Edith Ray Kelly, thirty-two years old, living at the Moulton Apartments, 1277 New Hampshire avenue northwest, ended her life yesterday by shooting herself in the temple. Her husband, Capt. William Kelly, U. S. A., died of influenza at Newport News, Va., a month ago.

"I am going to use Will's gun to end it all," a note found beside her said. "I cannot go on any longer without him."

Hearing the report of a pistol, Mrs. Della Burnett, a roomer at the house, went to Mrs. Kelly's room and discovered her lying on the floor. A .45-caliber revolver was gripped in her right hand. Dr. L. W. Glasebrook, 2023 P street northwest, was summoned.

Captain Kelly was formerly an inmate at Emergency Hospital. He was commissioned a captain in the medical corps about a year ago. He contracted influenza while stationed at Newport News and died a few days after contracting the malady.

## URGES EXILE OF U. S. BOLSHEVIKI

PHOENIX, Ariz., Feb. 23.—Governor Campbell, of Arizona, went on record yesterday in favor of immediate deportation of Bolsheviki and anarchists.

"The surest way to preserve the public against those disciples of destruction who seek to overthrow it and to overturn our institutions is to send them back forthwith to lands from which they came," he told the National Association of City Editors.

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